

Pronunciation:

When S is in the middle of words, it can sound like S. EX: aspirin, desk, interest

This is especially true when S comes before the sounds P, T or K

But the S can also sound like Z. EX: visit, easy, deposit

This usually happens when the S comes between two vowels, or when the S comes before other consonant sounds.

Tell if these words have the S sound or the Z sound. Practice the pronunciation.

wisdom	cousin	hospital	Tuesday	almost	yesterday	museum
crisp	chosen	poison	deserve	cosmetics	basket	president
worst	against	basis	loose	hearse	muscle	lose

Sometimes C has an S sound. Practice these word pairs.

muscle - muzzle	once-ones	pace-pays	decease-disease	dice-dies	false-falls	trace-trays
sip-zip	sink-zinc	tense-tens	worse-whirrs	use-use	bus-buzz	sauce-saws
scarce-scares	sown-zone	precedent-president	hence-hens	device-devise	abuse-abuse	peace-piece

Discuss: Each student take a turn picking one of the "talking topics ". Try to talk for at least 2 minutes on the subject.

1. Talk about your weirdest cousin.
2. Do you like your cookies crisp or soft? Why? Describe your favorite cookie.
3. Talk about something you did once, but will never do again.
4. Would you ever consider raising your own hens? What would be the advantages and disadvantages?
5. How do you feel about museums? Are they boring or fascinating? Do you tour museums when on vacation? What is your favorite museum?
6. What kitchen device could you easily live without? Which one is essential to your happiness?
7. Describe the diciest situation you've ever been in?

Read these sentences. Find something incorrect in each one. Tell why it is incorrect and correct it.

1. We snuggled up together on the sofa and watched a movie while the rain poured outside.
2. Be sure your seat belt fits snuggled around your hips.
3. A lot of cocaine is snuggled into the U.S. from Central America.
4. I know you think this jacket is too small, but I like a snuggled fit.
5. The puppy snuggled into the nape of her knee and went to sleep.
6. The nature documentary was ably narrative by Robert Redford.

7. Jahar is a nature citizen of France.
8. Natively, we decided to stay and have ice cream because how could we possibly turn down homemade peach ice cream.
9. The contractor's negligent resulted in several accidents.
10. The many side effects to the drug negative any possible benefit to taking it.